

Furthermore, fast food is expensive for both the consumer and the environment. Money spent on fast food for a week is enough to buy groceries for at least two weeks. In addition to this, fast food packaging is non-biodegradable and therefore it damages the environment.

On the other hand, it can be argued that fast food is an easy solution for people with busy lives. For instance, ordering fast food saves time and energy. People who work long hours can simply pick up the phone and order a takeaway.

All things considered, it seems to me that fast food cannot be a suitable substitute for cooking for yourself. Perhaps we should reconsider our eating habits, especially if "we are what we eat."

Unit 14b - Providing Solutions to Problems (pp. 94-97)

- 1** (Allow Ss two to three mins. to look at the pictures and prepare their answers, then ask individual Ss to answer the questions orally.)

- a) 1 picture B
2 picture C
3 picture A

b) (Ss' own answer)

c) (Suggested answers)

air pollution: move factories out of city; put filters in chimneys, etc.

heavy traffic: encourage people to use public transport; ban cars from city centre, etc.

rubbish: provide more litter bins; encourage people to recycle things, etc.

- 2** (Present the theory and the paragraph plan, then read the rubric and questions aloud. Explain/Elicit the meaning of any unknown words. Help Ss to identify the key words, then Ss complete the tasks. Check Ss' answers.)

Key words: local newspaper — articles entitled, "How can we make our city a better place to live?" — article — suggesting ways to improve city

- 1 Readers of the local newspaper.

- 2 1 b 3 e 5 a
2 c 4 d

(Ss' own answers)

- 3 1 c 3 b 5 e
2 a 4 d

(Suggested answers)

- If factories were moved out of the city, the air would no longer be dangerous to breathe.
- We should build more parks and playgrounds. If we did this, children would have somewhere safe to play.
- If wider pavements were built, people would be able to move around more easily.

- 3 a)** (Allow Ss two or three mins. to skim the article and label the paragraphs. Check Ss' answers.)

Para 1: state the problem

Para 2: first suggestion and results/consequences

Para 3: second suggestion and results/consequences

Para 4: third suggestion and results/consequences

Para 5: summarise your opinion

- b)** (Allow Ss four or five mins. to read the article again and prepare their answers. Discuss the answers with the class.)

- 1 Formal style because it is for a newspaper.

(Suggested answer)

linking words/phrases, long, complex, sentences, passive voice, etc.

- 2 Para 2: **Suggestion:**

- encourage people to use public transport instead of their cars especially when commuting to work

Results: fewer cars on the road, fewer traffic jams.

- Para 3: **Suggestion:**

- factories should be moved out of the city

Results: the air would not be so polluted

- Para 4: **Suggestion:**

- put more litter bins in the streets.

Results: people would stop dropping their rubbish on the ground, our city would be cleaner.

- 3 • First of all, it would be a good idea to...
 • Furthermore...
 • Secondly, steps should be taken in order to solve...
 • The situation could be improved if...
 • What is more, ...
 • Finally, efforts should be made to...
 • A useful suggestion would be to...

- 4 • A rhetorical question
(Suggested answer)

A quotation

- 4 (Read out the table on useful vocabulary. Then, allow Ss three or four mins. to complete the task. Check Ss' answers, then explain/ elicit the meaning of any unknown words.)

- 1 **The result of this**
 2 **due to the fact**
 3 **it is certain that**
 4 **so that**
 5 **in order to**

- 5 a) (Explain/Elicit the meaning of any unknown words, then complete the task with the class.)

- 1 C 3 A
 2 D 4 B

- b) (Individual Ss make sentences orally. Ss then repeat the task as a written exercise. Point out that Ss should use phrases from the Useful Vocabulary table on p. 95 in the Student's book.)

(Suggested answers)

- It would be a good idea to study with a friend. Then, you could discuss any difficulties that come up.
- Another solution would be to eat properly and get enough sleep. By doing this, you would be healthy and able to concentrate.
- It would also help if you made a study plan. The result would be that your work would be more organised.

- 6 (Allow Ss four mins. to complete the task. Ss work in pairs. Check Ss' answers while individual Ss read out the completed paragraphs.)

- 1 C 2 A 3 B 4 D

- 7 (Explain the task, then allow Ss three mins. to complete the task. Refer Ss to the useful Vocabulary table on p. 95 in the Student's Book and invite them to use phrases from there while they expand the prompts. Ss, in pairs, do the exercise. Check Ss' answers.)

- A ... In addition, you should install an alarm system. What is more, you should avoid making your house look glamorous.
 B Working out three times a week would definitely help you to lose weight and keep fit. Moreover, you should follow a healthy diet and stop eating junk food.
 C For instance, we should use environmentally friendly products to help reduce water pollution. In addition to this, we should plant more trees so that there will be more oxygen and fewer floods.
 D It would also be a good idea to put up signs to inform the public that if they litter they will be fined. Another solution would be to organise clean-up days once a week.

- 8 (Explain/Elicit the meaning of any unknown vocabulary and help Ss to identify the key words, then elicit suitable answers to the questions.)

Key words: educational magazine — articles — discussing violence on TV — ways to stop this having negative effects on young people

- 1 (Ss' own answer)
 2 B, D
 3 1 D, 2 B
 4 In the first paragraph

(Suggested answer)

A useful suggestion would be...
 Another solution...
 It would be a good idea if/to... etc.
 In the final paragraph.

- 9 (Help Ss to compose their article orally using their answers from Ex. 8. When satisfied that Ss can deal with the task successfully, assign it as written homework.)

(Suggested answers)

Nowadays, whenever we turn on the television, we see images of cruelty and violence. The effect these images have on our children is, without a doubt, negative.

Fortunately, however, there are certain measures that can be taken in order to deal with this problem. To begin with, the situation could be improved if we all complained to our local TV stations about the unacceptable programmes and the hours that they are shown. In this way, the stations could be convinced to air certain programmes only late at night.

Secondly, it would be a good idea to look at the TV guide and choose programmes which are suitable for children. By doing this, you could make sure your children would watch only educational and non-violent programmes.

To sum up, there are many steps that we can take to ensure that violence on TV does not have a negative influence on young people. After all, are we not all responsible for our children's well-being?

Unit 14c - Letters to the Editor (pp. 98 - 101)

- 1 (Read out questions a to c and elicit suitable answers from Ss.)

- a) (Ss' own answer)
- b) I would feel very upset.
- c) I would write a letter to the editor of a local newspaper.

- 2 (Present the theory and the theory plan. Read the rubric and help Ss underline the key words, then Ss answer questions 1 to 4.)

Key words: local council — town you live in — build large shopping centre — letter to editor of local newspaper — expressing your views

- 1 The editor of the local newspaper.
- 2 To express your views on the local council's decision to build a large shopping centre.
- 3 I would begin my letter with **Dear Sir/Madam**, and I would end my letter with **Yours faithfully + my full name** because I do not know the editor of the local newspaper.

- 4 a) (Suggested answer)

Yes. You can buy many things at the shopping centre in my town i.e. clothes, jewellery, books, shoes, etc. It is very popular with shoppers.

- b) noise pollution, heavy traffic litter in the streets ☒

- c) (Suggested answer)

No.

The advantages of having a shopping centre near my house would be that there would be a variety of shops close to my home so it would be very convenient.

The disadvantages of having a shopping centre near my house would be that the streets would be crowded, there would be a lot of noise pollution and air pollution due to heavy traffic, and many of the smaller shops in my town would close down.

- 3 (Allow Ss three mins. to skim the letter and label the paragraphs. Check Ss' answers.)

- a) Para 1: reason for writing and opinion
Para 2: first problem and consequences
Para 3: second problem and consequences
Para 4: summary of opinion
- b) The writer disagrees with the local council's decision.

- 4 (Allow Ss two mins. to skim the letter and complete the table. Ss, then, make sentences. Check Ss' answers.)

Problems	Consequences
• increase in amount of traffic and number of people	suffer from air and noise pollution
• oldest and most beautiful buildings torn down	Trent's surroundings and character destroyed

In order for the shopping centre to be built, some of our oldest and most beautiful buildings will have to be torn down. Therefore, Trent's surroundings as well as its character will be destroyed.

- 5 (Read out the table of Useful expressions and linking words/phrases. Ss, then do Ex. 5.)

<u>I believe</u>	= I think/feel, etc
<u>Firstly</u>	= First of all
<u>Obviously</u>	= Clearly